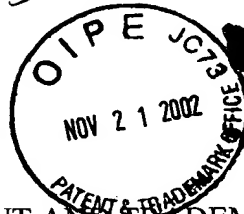


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AMENDMENT  
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Applicants transmit herewith an Amendment in the above-identified application. An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA	LARGE ENTITY RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
Total Claims:	39		29	10	x \$18 =	\$180.00
Independent Claims:	5	-	3	2	x \$84 =	\$168.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 348.00

A check in the amount of \$348.00 is enclosed to cover this additional filing fee. Please credit any overpayment, or charge any additional fee required by this paper, to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of BAKER BOTTS L.L.P.

Respectfully submitted,

BAKER BOTTS L.L.P.  
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Dear Sir:

**Notification of Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. §1.136**

Applicant hereby takes an Extension of Time for responding to the Examiner's Office Action dated August 13, 2002 for one (1) month from November 13, 2002 to December 13, 2002. The extension fee of \$110.00 for large entity is enclosed herewith.

**Response Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In response to the Office Action mailed August 13, 2002, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following amendments and remarks. Please amend the Application as follows.

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